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Courts grapple with television's Napster

Peter Waters and Mia Garlick On May 2, in a suit against the maker of digital video recorders, a California court ordered SONICblue to monitor the shows its users record and the commercials they skip. While VCRs survived legal assault by copyright owners in the 1980s, this new device may not as it allows copying that more clearly challenges their rights. Mia Garlick and Peter Waters of Arculli and Associates/Gilbert & Tobin explain.
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New '.hk' administrator makes its debut

Hong Kong

The Hong Kong Internet Registration Authority has taken control of administering the '.hk' domain from the Hong Kong Joint Universities Computer Centre. The organization is now the only registrar of the country-code top-level domain, but it expects to create a competitive environment over time. [Full text](#)



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